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WASHINGTON .-- SEN . STEPHEN M. YOUNG, D-OHIO. SAID TODAY "IT IS A FACT THAT IN ALL OF OUR EMBASSIES OVERSEAS WE HAVE CIA OPERATIVES, OR

SPIES, WHO ARE ON THE EMBASSY STAFF."
AND "OF COURSE," YOUNG SAID, "THE SOVIET EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON ALSO IS STAFFED WITH SPIES WHO ARE LISTED AS OFFICIALS OF THE EMBASSY. YOUNG, A MEMBER OF THE SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE, IGNORED USUAL SENATORIAL SILENCE ON THE TOUCHY QUESTION OF HUSH-HUSH CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY PERSONNEL ON EMBASSY STAFFS OVERSEAS.

IN FACT, HE TOLD THE SENATE "I'VE PERSONALLY TALKED WITH SOME OF OUR CIA OPÉRATIVES IN OUR EMBASSY IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES AND KNOW THE

FACTS."

YOUNG MADE THE STATEMENTS IN THE TEXT OF A STATEMENT BLAMING "RIGHT WING EXTREMISTS" WITH "DISTORTING THE FACTS" ABOUT THE U. S .- SOVIET CONSULAR TREATY BEFORE THE SENATE FOR RATIFICATION. TREATY HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, ALTHOUGH TWO MINORITY REPORTS HAVE BEEN FILED AND SOME OTHER SENATORS HAVE BEEN CRITICAL.

YOUNG SAID HE INTENDED TO VOIE IN FAVOR OF THE PACT, SIGNED LAST

YEAR AT MOSCOW.

THE PEPPERY OHIO DEMOCRAT SAID HE HAD RECEIVED A "TREMENDOUS VOLUME OF PRESSURE MAIL" OPPOSING THE CONSULAR AGREEMENT. BUT "IT IS EVIDENT THAT ... THESE CITIZENS HAVE BEEN MISINFORMED.

"RIGHT WING EXTREMISTS HAVE CICULATED PAMPHLETS DISTORTING THE

FACTS," HE TOLD THE SENATE.

SOME OF THE WRITERS, HE SAID, DID NOT KNOW THAT THE SENATE COMMITTEE. HELD HEARINGS BEFORE ACTING.

THE PACT PERMITS -- BUT DOES NOT REQUIRE -- EACH NATION TO SET/ UP CONSULAR OFFICES IN THE OTHER COUNTRY OTHER THAN THEIR EMBASSIES

BUT EQUALLY IMPORTANT, YOUNG SAID, IS THE FACT THAT THE PACT WILL GIVE BETTER PROTECTION TO U. S. NATIONALS TRAVELING IN THE SOVIET UNION.

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YOUNG ALSO CALLED FOR INCREASED TRADE BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET BLOC. HE PREDICTED THAT U. S.-SOVIET TRADE "WILL INCREASE IN YEARS TO COME. IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT WE HAVE CONSULAR OFFICIALS IN KEY RUSSIAN COMMERCIAL CENTERS TO HELP NORMALIZE THAT TRADE AND AID AMERICAN FARMERS, WHEAT PRODUCERS AND BUSINESSMEN SEEKING IT."

THE OHIO DEMOCRAT SAID THE UNITED STATES IS NOT FOOLING ANYONE BY PRETENDING THAT IT DOES NOT CARRY INTELLIGENCE OPERATIVES ON ITS EMBASSY STAFFS.

HE SAID:

"NOW, TO THE CLAIM THAT SOME RIGHT-WING EXTREMISTS MAKE REGARDING THE SOVIET EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON BEING STAFFE D WITH SPIES. OF COURSE, IT IS WELL-KNOWN THAT INTELLIGENCE AGENTS, OR SPIES, AFE ON THE STAFFS OF EMBASSIES AND CONSULS OF THE SOVIET UNION AND ON THE STAFF OF PRACTICALLY ALL EMBASSIES OF THE UNITED STATES THE WORLD OVER AND ALSO ON THE STAFFS OF ANY OF OUR CONSULATES WHEREVER THAT STAFF CONSISTS OF MORE THAN A VERY FEW INDIVIDUALS.

"I RECALL DISTINCTLY AN AMBASSADOR TO A COUNTRY REGRETFULLY REPORTING TO ME THAT HE COULD PLACE FOR MY USE ONLY A RATHER OLD AUTOMOBILE WHICH WAS PROVIDED FOR HIS USE AS AMBASSADOR. HE SAID THAT A NEW CLERK, OR ATTACHE, ON HIS STAFF HAD JUST COME FROM THE UNITED STATES -- HE WAS AT A VERY LOW ECHELON IN HIS EMBASSY STAFF -- AND UNFORTUNATELY THIS CLERK BROUGHT WITH HIM THE LATEST MODEL CHRYSLER AUTOMOBILE AND HIS BLONDE SECRETARY BROUGHT WITH HER THE LATEST MODEL CHEVROLET. HE SAID, OF COURSE, THE RUSSIANS AND CHINESE ARE NOT STUPID. THEY KNEW IMMEDIATELY THAT HE WAS A CIA AGENT INSTEAD OF AN EMBASSY CLERK IN WHICH CATEGORY HE WAS LISTED."

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